


Information Sharing Survey

You have been selected to participate in a research study of homeland security information sharing attitudes and practices based on your affiliation with Lessons Learned Information Sharing (LLIS). The purpose of the study is to evaluate your perceptions concerning homeland security information sharing and how those perceptions might impact the work that you do.

Your role in the study will be to complete the brief survey on homeland security information sharing enclosed. *No identifying information will be collected from the answers you provide.* You can be assured that your name or organization will not be attributed to any specifics in the survey.

Survey Instructions

- ❖ Please answer every question by checking one box unless otherwise stated.  If you are unsure about how to answer a question, please give the best answer you can.

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According to the Homeland Security Act of 2002, “homeland security information” means any information possessed by a Federal, State, or local agency that—(A) relates to the threat of terrorist activity; (B) relates to the ability to prevent, interdict, or disrupt terrorist activity; (C) would improve the identification or investigation of a suspected terrorist or terrorist organization; or (D) would improve the response to a terrorist act.

1. How do you receive homeland security information? Please check all that apply.

- Homeland security email / bulletins / alerts
- Face-to-face meetings with colleagues
- Email or telephone calls with colleagues
- Newspapers / magazines
- Radio
- Television
- Websites / Databases
- Other: _____

2. From which source do you most often receive homeland security information? Please check only one.

- Homeland security email / bulletins / alerts
- Face-to-face meetings with colleagues
- Email or telephone calls with colleagues
- Newspapers / magazines
- Radio
- Television
- Websites / Databases
- Other: _____

3. Does your state have a homeland security information fusion center?

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

3a. If “Yes” in #3 above, do you receive homeland security information from that fusion center?

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

3b. If “Yes” in #3a above, generally how often do you receive homeland security information from that fusion center?

- Less than monthly
- Monthly
- Weekly
- Daily

4. In addition to LLIS, what other homeland security information sharing systems do you use (including, but not limited to: HSIN, LEO, RISS.Net, InfraGard, Intelink, and others)?

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4a. Count of systems used.

5. What is your overall opinion of homeland security information sharing systems (such as LLIS, HSIN, LEO, RISS.Net, InfraGard, Intelink, and others)?

Unfavorable							Favorable
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

6. What is your opinion of LLIS specifically?

Unfavorable							Favorable
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

7. How often do you access Lessons Learned Information Sharing (LLIS):
(Access includes receiving or producing homeland security information, reading/posting to bulletin boards, and making use of other LLIS features)

- Less than once per month
- Monthly
- Weekly
- Daily

7a. Given your answer in #7, roughly how many times do you access LLIS (daily, weekly, or monthly)? _____ times per _____.

8. How often do you access other homeland security information sharing systems besides LLIS, such as (but not limited to) HSIN, LEO, RISS.Net, InfraGard, Intelink, and others?

- Less than once per month
- Monthly
- Weekly
- Daily

8a. Given your answer in #8, roughly how many times do you access other homeland security information sharing systems besides LLIS (daily, weekly, monthly, or yearly)?
 _____ times per _____.

9. The type of information I access via homeland security information sharing systems is:

Very specific							Very diverse
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

10. In your opinion, how aware are you personally of homeland security threats facing your region? For example, are you able to identify relevant threats?

Totally Unaware							Completely Aware
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

11. In your opinion, how aware is your organization of homeland security threats facing your region? For example, can it identify relevant threats?

Totally Unaware							Completely Aware
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

12. In your opinion, how prepared is your organization for homeland security threats in your region?

Totally Unprepared							Completely Prepared
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

13. In your opinion, overall, the information that you receive via Lessons Learned Information Sharing (LLIS) is:

a. Inaccurate							Accurate
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

b. Untimely							Timely
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

c. Incomplete						Complete
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

d. Irrelevant						Relevant
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

e. Inconsistent						Consistent
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

f. Useless						Useful
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

14. In your opinion, how prepared is your organization to *prevent* a homeland security emergency in your region?

Totally Unprepared				Completely Prepared		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

15. In your opinion, how prepared is your organization to *respond* to a homeland security emergency in your region?

Totally Unprepared				Completely Prepared		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

16. In your opinion, how prepared is your organization to *recover* from a homeland security emergency in your region?

Totally Unprepared				Completely Prepared		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

17. In general, homeland security information sharing has a positive impact on my job effectiveness.

Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

18. Specifically, my use of LLIS has a positive impact on my job effectiveness.

Strongly Disagree Strongly Agree

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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19. How many preparedness simulations (including table-top exercises) have you participated in (complete all that apply):

Within your organization? _____

Locally? _____

Regionally? _____

Nationally? _____

Internationally? _____

20. On the whole, how much do you believe these simulations contribute to preparedness:

Nothing							A Great Deal
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

21. What is your age?

- 21-29 years
- 30-39 years
- 40-49 years
- 50+ years

22. What is your sex?

- Male
- Female

23. What is the highest level of education you have obtained?

- High school graduate
- Some college
- 2 year degree
- 4 year degree
- Some graduate credits
- Master degree or higher

24. What is your occupational field?

- Emergency Management
- Law Enforcement
- Fire

- Public Health
- Human Services
- Other: _____

25. What is your role within your organization?

- Manager / Supervisor
- Operations
- Support
- Other: _____

26. How many years have you served in a homeland security-related capacity?

- Less than 1 year
- 1-2 years
- 3-5 years
- 6-10 years
- 11-20 years
- 21 or higher

27. In what FEMA region of the U.S. do you work?

